

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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SERIAL NO.: 10/700,256 GROUP ART UNIT: 3734
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FOR: SURGICAL SAW BLADE COUPLER

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

ATTENTION: MAILSTOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance dated July 28, 2006, please amend the drawings and claims as follows and consider the accompanying remarks. This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 and associated fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e). This Amendment has been prepared in accordance with the amendment format of 37 CFR §1.121.